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Basin. The RCMP say they responded to a complaint that someone had been stabbed at a residence on Demont Road at 1:30 a.m.

Police say when officers arrived, an 18-year-old was suffering from multiple stab wounds and was taken to hospital for treatment.

Police say four suspects fled in a vehicle before officers arrived. Three of these people — all described as persons of interest — were later located and arrested. A fourth person turned himself into police yesterday afternoon.

There were no charges laid by late yesterday.



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Singer Michael Bublé holds two of his trophies yesterday at the Juno Awards in St. John's, N.L. Bublé took home the album of the year, single of the year and fan's choice awards. Story, page 15.

Crash claims driver, passenger hospitalized in serious condition

A taxi driver is dead following a two-vehicle car crash on Highway 102 near the Halifax Stanfield International Airport vesterday afternoon.

The Toyota Camry — driving for Bob's Taxi, according to witnesses — had two occupants inside and was travelling northbound on the highway near the airport when police say the driver attempted to pull across the highway from the right-hand lane and was struck by a Mazda 5 in the left-hand lane - also going northbound around 4:20 p.m.

"He was struck right on the driver's side door," police spokesman Cpl. Joe Taplin said of the taxi driver. It was a substantial colli-

Police say the driver of the taxi was rushed to hospital where he was pro-nounced dead. The car's passenger was listed in serious condition at the QEII Health Sciences Centre.

The driver of the Mazda 5 was the only person in the second vehicle and is also in hospital in fair condition.

An investigation into the crash began late yesterday. Taplin said it was snowing quite heavily at the time of the accident resulting in reduced visibility.

A dispatcher at Bob's Taxi said last night he hadn't heard of any fatal collision involving one of its drivers.

PHILIP CROUCHER/METRO HALIFAX

View from the top much better for NDP's Paris said last week. "We've got a majori-

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POLITICS Percy Paris now feels at home in the provincial legislature.

The NDP cabinet minister and only black Nova Scotia MLA famously set off a storm of debate in

2007 when he said he faced racism from his fellow politicians.

The then-rookie MLA described the legislature as "the loneliest place I've ever worked" and said dayto-day life there "makes me feel either invisible, or unfairly singled out."

He spoke of members ig-

noring him in the hallways and extra heckling directed towards him, but he never named any names

Paris now tells Metro that is no longer the reality.

"It's a different Percy Paris house today,"



ty government. I'm a minister. It's a time, but have short things changed." The NDP holds 30

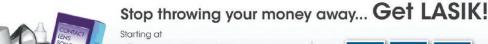
of the 52 seats in the legislature.

"I think for all

NDP MLAs the feeling that you're at home is going to be more prevalent," he said.

"No matter where you go in the house, you're going to run into a colleague.'

Paris said his relationship with the other parties has improved as well.



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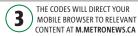
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Hauer to star in Hobo flick

As the movie Hobo With A Shotgun begins filming today in HRM, Dartmouth film-maker Jason Eisener revealed yesterday who will star as the titular well-armed homeless hero. Rutger Hauer, who previously played a renegade android in Blade Runner and a priest in Sin City, will take the role. Hobo started as a fictional film trailer that won a contest held by Quentin Tarantino in the run-up to the movie Grindhouse.

News in brief

ROBBERY A 31-year-old man will appear in court today in relation to back-to-back robberies in downtown Dartmouth late last week. On Friday at 3:17 p.m., Halifax Regional Police responded to reports of a robbery at the post office on Queen Street. The suspect, who allegedly had a knife, fled the scene before police arrived. No one was injured.

SPRAY Halifax Regional Police sav an 18-vear-old male was sprayed in the face with pepper spray early yesterday morning. Police say the incident took place in the 2500 block of Hamilton Lane in Halifax around 12:20 a.m. Police say the victim wouldn't co-operate with officers and was running out into traffic on Barrington Street. He was treated and released by paramedics. **HOLDUP** Police say a man produced a knife and demanded cash at the Petro Canada on Main Street in Dartmouth yesterday morning. Police say the robbery happened at 6:50 a.m., with the clerk handing over money before the suspect fled the scene on foot.

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Council weighs meter rate importance

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As Halifax regional council prepares to debate proposed increases for parking meter fees in the downtown core tomorrow night, councillors' opinions on the issue's magnitude seem mixed.

Dartmouth Centre Coun. Gloria McCluskey said she doesn't favour the increases, as downtown businesses are struggling to keep up with the outskirt big-box stores as is. But she al-

so said she doesn't think the issue is a "big deal." It really isn't a big

deal, but people per-ceive it to be," Mc-Cluskey said. '(They say), 'Why do I have to pay to go down here, and now **Gloria**

it's even more." McCluskev That said, Mc-Cluskey thinks there are other ways to combat the municipality's projected

\$32.4-million deficit, such as cutting councillors' and staffs' travel budg-

> She said it would be fair to call in-creasing the meter fees a "cash grab"

fees a "cash from city hall. Downtown Coun. Dawn Sloane takes a somewhat different view on the rate hikes. She said city

hall has a responsibility to protect local "mom and pop" businesses against the draw of shopping centres like Dartmouth Crossing and Bayers Lake.

'It's bad enough that we charge for parking in our downtown when all these other business areas (don't)," she said. "To look at charging (more) for parking shows negative connotations for downtown. It basically says, 'Why don't you go park at a business park for free."

Sloane said the rate hikes are "low hanging fruit" in terms of methods to balance the books.

A staff report presented to council last week recommended increasing the Halifax parking meter rate to \$2 from \$1.50 for an hour, effective May 31. It almost recommends increasing the Dartmouth rate by the same amount. to \$1.50 from \$1.

If the rate hikes are approved, it would mean an extra \$542,000 in the city's coffers for 2010-11, and an estimated \$650,000 annu-

Pier 21 Catwalking for a cause



A model walks the stage during the Turbines Spring 2010 fashion show that highlighted the annual Dress for Success Halifax celebration, The Tea Party, at Pier 21 yesterday afternoon. The Tea Party event raises funds for Dress for Success Halifax, a non-profit organization providing suits and support for under-privileged women in HRM needing help with their careers.

Dance party ends in fights, arrests

PURCELL'S COVE Police had to shut down a dance on Purcell's Cove Road early over the weekend and have charged two young men with assaulting a female

security guard following several fights at the event. Halifax Regional Police charged two 17-year-old men with assault at the party at a Greek Orthodox

Church. Police say there were several physical confrontations inside and outside the church at around 11 p.m. Friday.

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Shooting near home shows no area immune to drug culture, says Dexter

CRIME Premier Darrell Dexter says gunshots that rang out near his house show no neighbourhood in HRM can consider itself invulnerable to crime linked to the drug trade.

Dexter was commenting after police said gun-

fire hit a home within 300 metres of the premier's house on Stuart Harris Drive in Dartmouth on Thursday night. "I don't think that

any neighbourhood in Halifax region is Darrell immune from links Dexter to a drug culture that is mobile," Dexter said.

"These things are deeply disturbing - no less so in my neighbourhood than in any other neighbourhood in the province.

Police said no one was hurt inside the home, but that a man in his 20s

showed up at a hospital shortly later with a minor gunshot wound to the back.

Officers said the man, who was treated and released, co-operated with investigators and they don't believe the shooting was

random. The shooting marked the 12th in HRM since March 16. Police spokesman Const. Brian Palmeter said officers are treat-

ing the shooting Thursday night like any of the other recent ones.

"This incident, we don't believe has anything to do with the premier himself," Palmeter said.

Dexter said his justice minister met with HRM Mayor Peter Kelly and the RCMP last week to discuss the issue.

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Police on hunt for suspect after break-in, threat

DARTMOUTH Police are looking for a man they say tried to enter a Dartmouth house on Saturday night and later threatened the

homeowner with a knife. Halifax Regional Police say they were called to Everette Street just before 9 p.m. A 29-year-old man tells police he answered his front door and was confronted by a male who wanted to speak with someone else inside the residence.

Police say the suspect

then tried to enter the residence, but was prevented by the homeowner. The suspect then punched the homeowner, police allege, and pulled out a knife before fleeing the area.

Police don't believe this was a random act and the parities involved are associated with one another.

They describe the suspect as being around 20 years of age with a slim build, short brown crew cut hair and a moustache.

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European air travel still 'wait-and-see'

Travellers urged to watch websites

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Would-be travellers prevented from crossing the Atlantic from Halifax still don't know how much longer their grounding will last.

Flights to and from much of Europe have been cancelled since last week's volcanic eruption in Iceland filled the sky with ash. In Nova Scotia, the only

direct link to Europe is a daily flight each way between Halifax Stanfield International Airport and Heathrow Airport in London. Those flights have been grounded since Thursday.

Yesterday airport officials couldn't say when flights will be back on line.

"Your guess is as good as mine," said airport spokeswoman Ashley Barnes.

'It's just kind of a waitand-see game."

N.L. cancellations

 Volcanic ash from Iceland may be making its way to Newfoundland. A St. John's International Airport spokeswoman says Air Canada, WestJet and Porter Airlines have cancelled flights as a precaution this morning until 9 a.m. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Barnes said people should keep an eye on the airport website to check the status of their flights.

Canada's website warned customers yester-day it may take "several days" for air travel to resume. The airline also announced it was changing its booking policy to allow travellers to make alternate travel arrangements without any financial penalty.

When flights do resume, Air Canada says it will deploy extra planes to cope with backlogged demand.



Francesca Rogier was found guilty earlier this year of violating an animal control bylaw after her dog Brindi rushed out of her yard and attacked a leashed dog strolling by Rogier's home.

Dog not aggressive: Testimony

awaited trial of a former Nosix complainants. va Scotia businessman ac-Those cused of sex crimes that date back to the 1970s begins today.

Alleged victims set to

testify at sex crimes trial

Ernest Fenwick MacIntosh was accused by the RCMP in 1995 of engaging in sex acts with six boys between 1970 and 1977 in a number of communities in eastern Nova Scotia. MacIntosh spent 13 years in India before he was arrested in 2007 and charged with 36 sex-related offences.

The judge-only trial in Nova Scotia Supreme Court in Port Hawkesbury is the first of two and involves three of

plainants — whose identity is protected — will be the first Crown witnesses called to testify during the trial's

opening days.

MacIntosh left Canada in 1994, and police began investigating complaints a year later. The telecommunications specialist was arrested in April 2007 at his former home in India and extradited to Canada. He has been living in the Halifax area since being re-leased on bail in April 2008.

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who assessed a dog the municipality of Halifax has deemed dangerous and wants to euthanize says the mixed-breed mutt shows no signs of aggression and should not be put down.

Ted Efthymiadis said in provincial court Friday he did several behavioural tests on Brindi, a six-yearold dog who's been in a shelter since she attacked

another dog two years ago. The trainer said he believes Brindi can be trained and should be muzzled if returned to her owner.

"For a dog that has been deemed by some people to be extremely dog-aggres-

Decision

 The judge could decide to have the animal put down as a threat to the public welfare, have it returned to its owner or hand it to a third party for continuing care. She said she would issue her decision on April 30.

sive, I just didn't see it," Efthymiadis said in court. Brindi's

Francesca Rogier, was found guilty earlier this year of violating an animal control bylaw after Brindi rushed out of her yard and attacked a leashed dog strolling by Rogier's home.

She was convicted of be-

Details in store

that was running at large, owning a dog that at-tacked another animal and failing to comply with a muzzle order.

The charges came after a series of written warnings from the City of Halifax following other attacks by Brindi. One of the city's warnings required Brindi be muzzled.

Since then, Rogier has waged a costly legal fight to have her dog returned to her home in East Chezzetcook.

But the municipality argues releasing the dog poses a risk to her neighbours and their pets.

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Mayors want governments to pay for ferries

CONGRESS Mayors from across Atlantic Canada are appealing to their provincial and federal counterparts to pay for ferry services in their municipalities.

The Atlantic Mayors Congress, which met in Halifax last week, is asking the provincial and federal governments to establish a long-term funding strategy for ferry services in Atlantic Canada.

"For much of Atlantic Canada, ferry service is an extension of our regional and national highway system," AMC chair and HRM Mayor Peter Kelly said in a release. "Cutting off funding for this essential service would be like cutting off funding for highway maintenance and construction. No one would stand for it.'

According to the AMC, the lack of a coherent regional plan for Atlantic ferry services has resulted in ad hoc funding decisions, which cast a shadow of uncertainty over the sector. METRO HALIFAX

News in brief

ENERGY The N.S. government says it will offer \$4.9 million this year on an energy efficiency program for low-income homeowners. The government said the money includes about \$2.5 million from a provincial fund aimed at combatting air pollution. The Department of Community Services will determine eligibility for 700 homes from a list of low-income homeowners already set for home repairs. WALK A Halifax woman is in training to walk around Nova

Scotia's entire coastline to raise awareness for a camp for children with chronic illnesses. Emily Forrest says the 3,000-kilometre walk will start May 13 in Halifax. She figures the walk will take about three months to complete and draw attention to the Brigadoon residential camp for children and the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

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Handling of 911 call to be reviewed after woman dies

The Saskatchewan government has appointed a neutral observer to oversee a police review into how a dispatcher and the RCMP handled a 911 call from four people stranded in their car. One of the stranded women, Kerri Canepotatoe, tried to walk out to get help, but was found dead on the side of a highway. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada



Bigger military role possible in Congo?

Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean has touched down in Congo amid indications Canada may take on a larger military role in the strife-torn country. A decision is expected within weeks about whether Canada will take over the leadership of a UN peacekeeping force, and send more troops than the 12 soldiers currently there. An estimated five million people have been killed in a complex web of conflicts involving various national armies, militias and control of mining resources.

Canada big on prisoner transfers

Canada outstripped its NATO allies almost two-toone in the number of prisoners it turned over to Afghan authorities in the first nine months of last year, figures prepared for the Afghan government show.

The statistics were compiled by the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission and made available to The Canadian Press. Ottawa does not release them.

More ominously, the commission complained in its latest annual report that it is still frustrated

in attempts to check on prisoners handed over to the country's notorious intelligence service — the National Directorate of Security.

The commission, which relies heavily on Canadian government funding and mentorship, says between

Tally

 Among NATO allies, the Canadian army was way out in front with 163 prisoners.
 Britain followed with 93 confirmed transfers; the Netherlands has 10 and Denmark has one.

January and the end of September 2009, it was notified that 267 suspected insurgents were transferred by Canada, Britain, the Netherlands and Denmark.

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Shades of Star Trek as military uses 'holodeck' technology to help vets.

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Quebec Premier Jean Charest speaks at a Liberal party council general meeting in St-Hyacinthe, Que., yesterday.

Charest touts true grit amid voter backlash

MEETING Quebec Premier Jean Charest is trumpeting his party's courage in the face of a backlash from voters angry over planned tax hikes and allegations of influence peddling.

The premier told party faithful yesterday the Liberals need the audacity to stand behind the tough de-

cisions necessary to balance the province's finances.

But speaking at a general council meeting in St-Hyacinthe, Que., Charest made no mention of the biggest crisis swirling within the party.

Charest recently picked former Supreme Court justice Michel Bastarache to head an inquiry into the way judges are chosen in the province. The crisis was sparked by former Quebec justice minister Marc Bellemare who claimed he was pushed by Liberal party fundraisers to make certain judicial appointments during his term.

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Tories' luck with women running out?

POLITICS Stephen Harper hasn't had much luck with the women he's appointed to cabinet, but his government doesn't appear to have a woman problem — yet.

Helena Guergis's spectacular flame-out was just the latest in a series of illstarred adventures among the prime minister's female front benchers.

Rona Ambrose, Lisa Raitt, Diane Ablonczy, and now Guergis — all at one time appeared headed for enhanced status in a cabinet dominated by pale males and all have seen their wings clipped, although only Guergis was shown the door.

Yet through it all, Harper's Conservatives have actually managed to close the traditional gender gap that plagues most western right-of-centre parties.

"There's still a gap, but it's not as pronounced as it traditionally is," says Ottawa pollster Nik Nanos, whose own research finds the discrepancy to have narrowed to four points, about half the typical gender gap. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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U.S. cutting pro-democracy funding to Egypt

U.S. President Barack Obama has dramatically cut funds to promote democracy in Egypt. Washington's cuts over the past year — amounting to around 50 per cent — have drawn accusations that the Obama administration is easing off reform pressure on the autocratic government of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to ensure its support on Mideast policy. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World



Atlantic rower credits iPods, chocolate

An Ohio woman who became youngest person to row across the Atlantic Ocean alone says she got through the journey with four iPods, 300 chocolate bars and 100 audiobooks.

Katie Spotz, left, spent more than two months alone at sea before completing her feat in March. The 22-year-old athlete spoke about the adventure at a welcome-home party Saturday in suburban Cleveland.

News in brief

MALTA Pope Benedict XVI met yesterday with a group of clerical sex-abuse victims and promised them with tears in his eyes that the Catholic Church would seek justice for pedophile priests and implement "effective measures" to protect young people from abuse. Benedict expressed his "shame and sorrow" at the pain the men and their families suffered and prayed with them during the meeting at the Vatican's embassy in Malta, the Vatican said.

BIG LATE FEE New York City's oldest library says a ledger shows that first U.S. president George Washington has racked up 220 years' worth of late fees on two books he borrowed, but never returned, the Daily News newspaper reported. The New York Society Library says both books — Law of Nations and a volume on British debates — were due on Nov. 2, 1789.

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Is it safe to fly over Europe?

No ash damage reported from test flights, but experts warn of unstable skies

Major airlines that sent test flights into European air space found no damage yesterday from the volcanic ash that has paralyzed aviation over the continent, raising pressure on governments to ease restrictions that have thrown global travel and commerce into chaos.

Is it safe to fly yet? Airline officials and some pilots say the passengerless test flights show that it is. But meteorologists warn that the skies over Europe remain unstable from an Icelandic volcano that continues to spew ash capable of knocking out jet engines.

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European Union officials said air traffic could return to half its normal level today if the dense cloud begins to dissipate. Germany



Scientists say magma from the volcano on Iceland's Eyjafjallajokull glacier is being cooled quickly, causing the plumes of grit.

allowed some flights to resume. Eighty per cent of European airspace remained closed for a devastating fourth day yesterday, with only 4,000 of the normal 20,000-flight schedule in the

air, said Brian Flynn, deputy head of operations for Eurocontrol, which supports the air traffic control network across the European Union's 27 states. The test flights highlighted a lack of 63,000

European flights cancelled since Thursday.

consensus on when to reopen the skies. KLM Royal Dutch airlines, the national German carrier Lufthansa, Air France and several regional airlines sent up test flights, probing altitudes where the cloud of ash has wafted over Eu-

rope since Wednesday. None of the pilots reported

lots reported problems, and the aircraft underwent detailed inspections for damage to the engines and frame.

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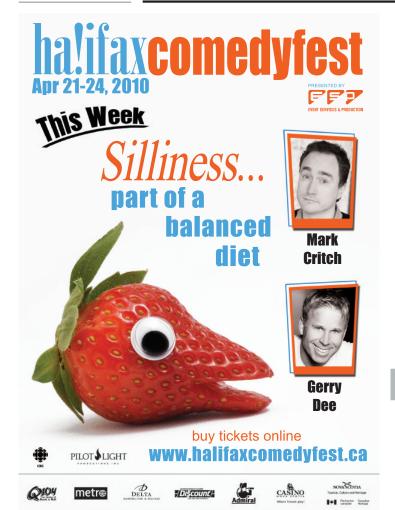
Poles pay respects to president, wife

warsaw Tens of thousands of Poles bade farewell to President Lech Kaczynski and his wife, Maria, yesterday at a state funeral filled with pomp, pride and an outpouring of patriotism that his unpopular leadership had never generated. Many world leaders, including Prime Minister Stephen Harper, could not be there because their travel plans were wrecked by the enormous plume of volcanic ash that blanketed Europe.

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Icelandic farmers race to save animals from ash cloud threat of internal bleeding.

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Bill Clinton to Democrats: Relax

Former president Bill Clinton expects Republicans to make election gains this fall, but says Democrats won't lose the House or Senate. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS WORLD

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A soldier's bad rap

The U.S. Army has dismissed a soldier who threatened fellow troops and sent the Pentagon a violent rap song he wrote to protest his Iraq redeployment orders, officials said Saturday.

The dismissal for misconduct means Spc. Marc A. Hall will avoid criminal charges but lose all military benefits earned over at least four years of service, includ-

ing an earlier tour in Iraq. Army spokesman Lt. Col.

Army spokesman I.t. Col. Eric Bloom said Saturday that top brass decided to discharge Hall instead of taking him to trial in part because he admitted his guilt. Hall has been jailed since Dec. 11, two days before his brigade with the Army's 3rd Infantry Division out of Ft. Stewart, Georgia, was scheduled to leave for Iraq. He was

charged with the military offence of communicating a threat after telling his battalion commander that he might shoot or otherwise attack a fellow U.S. soldier, according to Army lawyers.

But it was a CD recording of a rap song that Hall wrote and sent to the Army's personnel office in July 2009 that gained notoriety for the case.

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Germany Remembering



Charlotte Knobloch, president of the Jewish Council in Germany, leaves a stone during the wreath ceremony at the memorial celebrations for the 65th anniversary of the liberation of the concentration camp Bergen-Belsen, northern Germany.

Mugabe to go ahead with takeover plan

ZIMBABWE President Robert Mugabe pledged yesterday to move ahead with controversial plans to hand over 51 per cent control of businesses to blacks. During ceremonies marking the 30th anniversary of independence from colonial rule, Mugabe said the proposed business takeovers are a concrete example of policies followed over the last three decades that enable locals to own the nation's resources.

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Be that someone who takes charge



alifax stinks — but you can, and should, be its breath of fresh air. Perhaps you (like myself) were one of the people walking to work last week and noticed the outhouselike smell of our downtown.

"Someone should do something about that," you possibly said to yourself.

Well, when you get ready for bed tonight and look at the person staring back at you while brushing your teeth, realize the person looking back to you, attached to the end of the toothbrush, is that person.

As you drove around downtown in the last few

weeks, you may have noticed with the seasonally warm spring there has been an influx of displaced people standing outside with various signs requesting funds for hostels, travel and help.

Maybe you said, "There should be an option for people to seek help other than a well-worn coffee cup and a sign requesting funds."

The next time you fix the floppy part of your hair that won't stay put in the rear-view mirror, you should realize you are in fact fixing the hair of a person who can help provide that option.

If in the evening, when reading the news online, you say to yourself there are so many naysayers and change-haters in this city that someone should really put some positive words out there.

Once again you should realize the hand attached to the mouse is probably the one that can also be the one typing a positive message and some hope for our city.

We're obsessed with someone — someone who should be doing something. Someone who should be fixing the things that make us pause for a second and say, "That's not right."

Maybe that someone in the world who should lead that change is you.

This city and our world has its share of problems, and it seems that more and more people cry out for a solution when it may be as simple as saying, "We can do and solve."

If all of us could promise that the next time we start a sentence with "someone should ..." we promise to be that someone. Then we could soon live, work and play in a community of people who care.

Christina Carew is a member of FUSION Halifax. Visit FUSIONHalifax.ca to find out how you can get involved to help make Halifax a better place to live, work and play.

Views

Cloud creates creative European travel



Martin Alsander

Being stuck in Europe during the Icelandic volcano revenge brings your most creative side alive. How do you get home to Stockholm from Paris with airports closed, all train tickets sold out and every car rental company in Paris already emptied?

On top of that you just received instructions to pick up the CEO in Brussels and make sure he gets to Copenhagen to deliver the quarterly result today.

Working for Metro, I have

always taken pride in our entrepreneurial spirit, but this was a new challenge. In desperation I called the chairman of Metro France and asked if he could lend me a car, without knowing how to return it to him. After all, we were going to Scandinavia and I was not planning to drive back to Paris again. Yes, he said. You can take my son's Smart car. Excellent, 1,600 kilometres in a Smart car!

Thinking I was doomed, I went out for lunch, where I saw another colleague parking her Lexus. "Here is my chance!" I offered her a Smart car in exchange for her Lexus. After a confusing discussion we had a deal.

But she needed the car back yesterday, she said — not knowing the details about my plan for her car.

It was Friday noon and I called our CEO to tell him "mission accomplished."

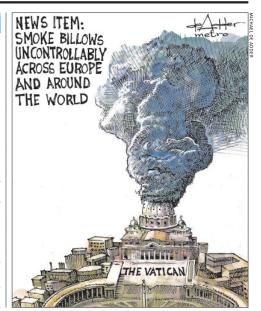
On my way out from Paris I still had to solve the issue of getting the car back to my colleague by yesterday. I called the office in Stockholm: "Do we have any French people stuck in Stockholm?" The ash cloud co-operated: One of our employees was trying to get to Paris. Put him on a bus to Copenhagen, we'll meet him there.

On the autobahns in Germany, our CEO was smoking heavily, talking on the

phone and playing with the GPS. Around midnight, I started to get tired and asked if he could drive for a while. "Sorry," he said. "I don't have my driving licence!" We were still five hours away from Copenhagen. It was going to be a long night.

At 5 a.m. Saturday — after 16 hours on the road — I handed over the keys to our French friend in Copenhagen. Mission completed. Our CEO was in Copenhagen, I was on my way to Stockholm and the car was going to be back in Paris by yesterday.

By Martin Alsander is an executive vice-president with Metro International.



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Real estate agent Marcus Caporicci calls it "creative" financing and expects to see more of it when tighter qualifying rules for mortgages take effect

The new rules are to discourage homeowners from taking out mortgages they might not be able to afford as interest rates start to rise and return to more normal levels.

Federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty announced the new mortgage rules in February but did not change the rules affecting the five per cent minimum down payment or the 35-year maximum amortization period for a mortgage.

Almost 90 to 95 per cent of Caporicci's clients have been putting down the minimum five per cent down payment, often with the help of their families or their own credit lines.

RBC senior economist Robert Hogue said the changes to the qualifying rules are largely "tweaks" because banks have already been requiring that buyers qualify for a higher rate.

"It might raise the bar a bit relative to the practice up until now, but it's not enough to tip the market,'

Changes

Business

Under the new rules, the federal government will:

- Require homeowners to meet the borrowing standards for a five-year fixed-rate loan even if they choose variable or shorter-term loans.
- Lower the maximum Canadians can withdraw when refinancing their mortgages to 90 per cent from 95 per cent of the value of their home.
- Require a minimum 20 per cent down payment to qualify for CHHC insurance for nonowner-occupied properties acquired as an investment aimed at cooling speculation.

Hogue said from Toronto. The changes will bring more prudence to the mar-ketplace," he said.

Martin Reid, president of mortgage broker Home Trust, said the federal government has standardized what most financial institutions have already been doing when it comes to qualifying for a mortgage.
"There will be some peo-

ple around the fringe that are impacted by it, but I don't think it's a huge negative impact to the real estate market," he said from Toronto.

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Investors looking for hints of higher rates

CURRENCY The Canadian dollar could get a jolt upwards from the Bank of Canada's interest rate announcement tomorrow.

The central bank is expected to leave its key interest rate unchanged at 0.25 per cent, where it has been for a year now.

What traders will be looking for is a key change in wording of part of the bank's announcement that could provide a hint of when rates will in-

crease

The bank has said for months that "conditional on the current outlook for inflation, the target overnight rate can be expected to remain at its current level until the end of the second quarter of 2010 in order to achieve the

inflation target."

There has been speculation recently that the bank could move even sooner to raise interest rates since the economy has been doing far better than expected, while core inflation has been on the rise.

Investors will be watching for any change in that wording, looking for a hint that the Bank of Canada could raise rates as early as its next announcement on THE CANADIAN PRESS

> Gordon Brown savages 'moral bankruptcy' of Goldman

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Mortgage rules | Retailers laud new guide for credit card firms

CREDIT Canadian retailers' groups are applauding a new code of conduct for credit and debit card companies, a move that's intended to reduce the cost of card transactions for businesses and bring more clarity to consumers.

Finance Minister Flaherty said Friday that the voluntary code of conduct will be in effect within a month, and officials

islation in place if the businesses don't regulate themselves.

The code is primarily aimed at reducing the cost of transactions for busi-

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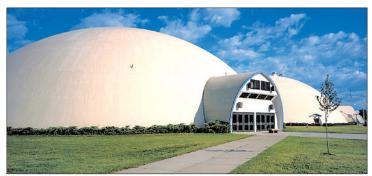
Energy efficient domed schools sparking a global revolution

BEN KNIGHT for Metro Canada

"I want to see the world go round," says David B. South — and he's dedicated his life to making it so.

The president of the Texas-based Monolithic Dome Institute is inventor and promoter of dome-shaped schools, churches and storage facilities. Because the dome is such an efficient shape — lower surface area, less building material required — his buildings are stunningly efficient when it comes to energy conservation and holding heat.

"We are at as low a price as you can build a school," the warm, slow-talking



Based in Emmett, Idaho, this facility is the first Monolithic Dome school built.

Idaho native says. "Anything that's got any architecture to it — any masonry or anything like that — we're less money.

"The buildings are

greener than grass. They'll always come up gold or silver in certification. And then the fun thing is that we've now got to where FEMA (the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency) has recognized these buildings for their strength. One school got 95 per cent of the cost of the building from FEMA



Three floors of classrooms surround a five-storey tall atrium

because it's also now the town's tornado shelter."

The idea is spreading across North America — and around the globe. And rather than try to maintain a monopoly on his patented construction techniques, Smith is only too happy to share his secrets with anyone who wants to learn.

"Believe it or not, I made the decision a long time ago to give this idea away," Smith says

Smith says.
"I have classes four times a year to teach people how to build these domes. It helps if they buy the air form from me — the outer skin, which is what they inflate to make the shape of the building — but there's nothing that says they have to."

The first Canadian

Monolithic Dome schools are under design, and should be coming soon. But Smith and his architecture have been up here for decades.

"I built my first dome in Canada back in '78," he fondly recalls.

"It was a potato storage over in Lethbridge, Alta. We also now make a weatherproof transportable cabin, and one of our biggest customers is going to be the Inuit in Arctic Canada. You can ship these up there and plant them, and you've got a building that there's nothing nature can do to hurt you."

Smith will be sharing his ideas and insights at the upcoming Green Building Expo, online everywhere May 19-20.





Earth Day countdown

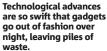
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Gadgets to go green

Make a difference with everyday things

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Metro found three gadgets that are doing their part for the environment.

So Sol

Designer Shin Azumi loves the sun so much that he decided to make it the main feature of his watch, the Sol. The watch is powered using solar cell technology and the unique aspect is that this is featured on the face of the watch - and not hidden on the back, as is commonly the case in design.

Picking Petals

Rainy days are about to



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Sports



Gordon 2nd in AHL scoring

grabbed a 3-1 series lead on the Bridgeport Sound Tigers in the

Rainmen eliminated after blowout loss

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The Halifax Rainmen's first foray into the playoffs has ended with a thud.

The Rainmen's third season came to a close last night in Oklahoma as the club was swept from the Premier Basketball League best-of-three semifinals in jarring fashion with a 135-104 blowout loss to the Lawton-Fort Sill Cavalry.

The Rainmen were never really in it, falling behind 59-44 at halftime and then getting walloped 39-23 in the third quarter as things got out of hand.

Rainmen head coach Les Berry said the Cavalry got too many "easy looks" in the second and third quarter and that it cost his team.

With how fast they are in transition and how hard they push the pace, it's really, really hard," Berry said.
"They hit some big shots at big times and when they push the lead on you and keep going, it's just so tough."

The first-place Cavalry, which won back-to-back Continental Basketball Association championships before joining the PBL last summer, went unbeaten at home en route to an 18-2 regular-season record. They "Our guys kept playing and never stopped. They gave us everything they had when they were out there and we did everything we could." Rainmen coach Les Berry

now have won 17 straight games.

Rainmen point guard Gary Ervin continued scoring at a torrid pace, lighting up for a team-high 19 points along with eight re-bounds and seven assists. Greg Plummer was next with 15, Desmond Ferguson 14, Larry Turner 11 and John Strickland 10.

"Our guys kept playing and never stopped, Berry said. "They gave us every-

thing thev had when they were out there and we did everything we could."

Mims, and Brandon Dean, with 22. were among six members $\circ f$ the Cavalry who , hit double figures.

The Cavalry advance to face the two-time defend-ing PBL champion RazorSharks, Rochester who knocked off the Puerto Rico Capitanes in two straight in the other semifinal. Former Rainmen small forward Glen Dandridge piled up 22 points on six-ofeight three-point shooting yesterday as

the RazorSharks beat the Capitanes 132-108. Although the Rainmen

are done for the year, the Metro Centre will play host to PBL all-star weekend on May 1 and 2.

Ervin, Ferguson, Tony Bennett and Eric Crookshank will represent the Rainmen at the event



Halifax Rainmen small forward Desmond Ferguson drives on Brandon Dean of the Lawton-Fort Sill Cavalry last Thursday at the Metro Centre. The Cavalry eliminated the Rainmen from the PBL playoffs last night in Oklahoma.

Sports in brief

NHL Montreal's Glen Metropolit was supposed to be out for at least another two weeks, but the checking centre could be back as early as tonight for Game 3 of the Canadiens playoffs series against the Washington Capitals. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sea Dogs, Wildcats jump out to series leads

QMJHL The Saint John Sea Dogs and Moncton Wildcats appear to be on a collision course to meet

in an all-New Brunswick QMJHL final.

Both teams jumped out to 2-0 leads in the best-ofseven semifinals on the weekend.

The Sea Dogs have the early edge on the Victoriaville Tigres after a 5-1 win on Saturday and a 4-2 win on Friday, both at home.

Former Dartmouth Subwavs star Michael Kirk-

Kirkpatrick

forward from North Sydney, continued to shine offensively for the Sea Dogs, scor-

ing two more goals

to give him 19 points in 11 games, tied for second in the league.

The Wildcats dumped the Drummondville Voltigeurs twice in Quebec with a 5-2 win yesterday and a 5-3 win on Fridav. METRO HALIFAX

Canada falls 5-4 to Sweden, heads to relegation at U-18



Team Canada head coach Guy Carbonneau

Canadian head coach Guy Carbonneau has a theory about where it all went wrong, and he offered it after watching his team stumble to another defeat at the IIHF world under-18 hockey championship in Belarus.

"I just have the feeling that they thought everything was going to be easy,' Carbonneau said yesterday. "And that wasn't the case.

Canada fell 5-4 to Sweden in its final preliminary round game yesterday, and faces relegation play for the first time in tournament history.

Under a worst-case scenario — such as finishing in ninth or 10th place — the Canadians face deportation to the B Pool, with the less-er lights of the hockey

The team finished fourth in Group A this year after

losses to Switzerland (3-1). the United States (5-0) and Sweden. Canada thrashed

host Belarus 11-3 for its only win in the preliminary round.

Canada returns to the ice was going to be to face Latvia easy. And that on Wednesday and Slovakia on Thursday in Guy Carbonneau relegation play.

It only needs to win one of those two games to maintain its spot in the championship pool.

"I think they're starting to realize that they need to get mad at themselves and not at the rest of the world. or at the other teams," Carbonneau said of his young players.

"I think the other teams are just playing their games, and I think there's been a lot of frustration in our game.

six shots and

a plus-1 rat-

ing through four games in fourth-line

Mooseheads winger Gabriel Des-"I just have the jardins, a ro-tating alterfeeling that they nate captain, thought everything has an assist.

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Canada finished fourth at the tournament last year, and won it two years ago.

duty.

"We're not where we want to be," Carbonneau

"Our goal was to go to Minsk and play for a medal. Now, it's not the case, but we still want to finish the tournament on a good

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Abeltshauser a big factor for Germany

u18 Halifax Mooseheads defenceman Konrad Abelt-

shauser played a big role in helping Germany earn a promotion to the next year's IIHF world under-18 champi-

onship. The 17-year- Konrad old led all blue- Abeltshauser liners in scor-

ing at the second-division U-18 event in Poland, fin-

ishing things up on Saturday with two goals and nine assists for 11 points and a plus-13 rating in five games as Germany went 5-0 to move up to the top-level tourney in

Despite his success, Abeltshauser fell short of earning the event's top defenceman directorate award, with that going to Hungary's Tamas Erdelyi, who had two points in five games. METRO HALIFAX

Injured Sabres left wing Thomas Vanek will likely miss Game 3 of Buffalo's Eastern Conference playoff series against the Boston Bruins tonight. Vanek, however, didn't rule himself out of the series tied at a game apiece. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Phoenix Coyotes winger Wojtek Wolski celebrates his goal against Detroit Red Wings yesterday in Detroit.

Loss of captain can't stop Coyotes

(Phoenix leads series 2-1)

Coyotes 4 Red Wings 2







The Phoenix Coyotes have thrived in the face of adversity all season.

They did it again yesterday in Game 3 against the Detroit Red Wings.

Overcoming the loss of captain Shane Doan and another key player, Petr Prucha and Radim Vrbata scored midway through the third period to lift the Covotes to a 4-2 victory and a 2-1 series lead.

where we've "From come from, a couple in-juries are not going to de-ter us," Phoenix coach Dave Tippett said. "Shane is a great player, he's our leader, but we recognized we had a game to play."

Phoenix scratched for-

ward Vernon Fiddler, who got hit in the lip by a stick in Game 2, and lost Doan on his first shift of the second period when he appeared to have an upperbody injury after running into the endboards.

"They just got better," Detroit coach Mike Bab-cock said. "With no Fiddler and no Doan, they had the puck more than we did."

The Coyotes have overcome a series of off-the-ice setbacks, starting with their previous owner takthe franchise into bankruptcy last year leading to the NHL buying the team in November. Wayne Gretzky resigned as coach nine days before the opener and was replaced by Tippett on the bench.

"If you look back from the start of the year, it was part of our identity that vou can overcome anvthing," Tippett said.

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Crosby gives Sens trouble

(Pittsburgh leads series 2-1)

Penguins 4 Senators





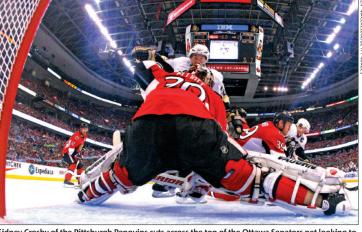
want to stay in their series with the Pittsburgh Penguins, they'll have to find an answer for Sidney

Penguins captain scored the game-winner in second period and added an assist as Pitts-burgh beat Ottawa 4-2 last night to take a 2-1 lead in their Eastern Conference quarter-final.

Pittsburgh also got goals from Alexei Ponikarovsky, Evgeni Malkin and Bill Guerin. Marc-Andre Fleury stopped 20 shots.

What it came down to was execution," said Crosby, who now has seven points in three games. "(Fleury) made some big saves and fortunately for us we capitalized on some chances. That's going to be the difference in these games here."

Mike Fisher and Matt Cullen each scored on the



Sidney Crosby of the Pittsburgh Penguins cuts across the top of the Ottawa Senators net looking to put a shot past a sprawling Brian Elliott last night in Ottawa. Pittsburgh won 4-2.

power play for the Senators, while Brian Elliott faced 24 shots.

"The reality is it's a race to four (wins)," said Senators centre Jason Spezza. 'They've still got to beat us two more times.

With Pittsburgh leading 2-1 late in the second, Crosby fought off Ottawa de-fenceman Andy Sutton and

lifted a shot over a sprawled out Elliott.
"I just had some space

and tried to bring it across to see what I had," Crosby said. "I had a little room, the goalie went down and had some space to put it in.'

Despite a territorial advantage for big chunks of the game, the Senators were unable to capitalize on their

chances, while the Penguins buried theirs

"We're still in it," said Fisher. "We've got another game at home here to even the series and we've got to focus on that game and not think beyond. We know what we've got to do and enjoy the challenge (of Game 4 on) Tuesday.'

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Lakers' seven-foot duo too much for Thunder

(L.A. leads series 1-0)

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Andrew Bynum leaned over, his hands on his knees, his chest heaving from his first minutes of game action in nearly a month.

Other than being out of breath, Bynum displayed little rust in teaming with Pau Gasol to dominate the middle in the Los Angeles Lakers' 87-79 victory against the Oklahoma City Thunder in their playoff series opener vesterday.

Bynum ignited the Staples Center crowd with a monster one-handed dunk over a defenceless Nenad Krstic in the second quarter

that pushed the Lakers' lead

"It kind of got me going," Bynum said. "It hyped the team up. That's the kind of

player I can be — exciting." Gasol scored 19 points, Bynum added 13 and Kobe Bryant had 21 points on 6-of-19 shooting after missing four of the final five regular season games to rest his swollen right knee and broken right index finger.

"I just have less margin for error with the finger," he said. "You just got to make adjustments, change your stroke up a little bit.'

Kevin Durant led the Thunder with 24 points on 7-of-24 shooting in his playoff debut — under the 30.1 average of the NBA's youngest-ever scoring champion. Former UCLA Russell Westbrook added 23. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Workology

Cuts at Cambrian College

Facing a projected \$7.5-million shortfall, Cambrian College in Sudbury, Ont., has decided to shut down its day-care centre and reduce its maintenance workforce. Other operating efficiencies the college is implementing include an early retirement incentive program, an increase in parking rates, and the hiring of a management company to operate Cambrian's residence.

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Dancing to a different career path

A love of ballroom, and a certain woman, sidetracked Robert Tang from his MBA track



ost parents want their kids to grow up to join a respectable, well-paying profession. But Robert Tang, now

But Robert Tang, now 46, was already on a successful career path, having got his MBA, when his parents sidetracked him with ballroom dancing.

The Tangs entered their first ballroom dancing competition when Robert was 25. They'd always danced for fun with friends, and his father had done lessons back in Malaysia many years before.

Tang was impressed with the event: The dancing looked fun, he liked the music and his parents made the finals. Plus, he met a dancer named Bev-

The **Lowdown**

Job title: Ballroom dancing teacher Salary: Up to \$100,000 a year Education/training: Dancing skills, can apprentice at a studio

Best Part of the Job: "Inspiring other people to try dancing and to get moving." Worst Part of the Job: "Finding time."

erley that day who was looking gorgeous in a turquoise ball gown.

A few weeks later, the Tangs' dance teacher asked if Robert wanted to dance. A young dancer at the studio needed a partner her own age.

Those first few weeks were difficult. Tang struggled to master and remember the steps and keep up with his partner.

But just seven weeks later, Tang and partner Tracey did their first competition and actually did hetter than Tang's parents

better than Tang's parents.
The pair moved quickly
up the amateur ranks.
Then Tang's teacher
arranged a most appealing

switch: Tracey went pro with a male dancer while Tang took a new partner. That was Beverley, whom he'd met before. Tang and his new part-

Tang and his new partner began dating and married three years later, in 1993. But life was busy. Tang had a demanding job with a software company and travelled frequently to the United States. Meanwhile, the couple flew as far away as Europe for training and all over Canada for competitions.

Their hard work paid off: they won the Canadian amateur championship three times and the North American championship twice.

After a decade of dancing in their spare time, the couple decided to make it a full time job. With the help of an investor, they started the studio DanceScape in 2000.

In the early years, Tang taught from noon until 10 p.m. Classes are one hour with either a group of up to 40 students, or one-on-one lessons

He helps his students set



Robert Tang and his wife Beverley Cayton-Tang first became dancing partners, than life partners.

Now they are also business partners, running a dance studio called DanceScape.

goals, and then shows them both the dance steps, and more subtle things like how to lead and read a partner's signals. Later, he began teaching instructors too: How to identify learning styles, see ballroom from both the male and female roles and learn the business side.

These days, Tang spends more time in the office planning new programs for the studio and marketing and promoting it. He just teaches private lessons and a beginner class along with his wife. The couple now just dance at

community events, but always set high goals for themselves for those showcases. "We can't get it out of our systems to be the best."

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.



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Applegate getting married

Christina Applegate is going to the chapel. Applegate, 38, and musician Martyn LeNoble are getting married. A rep for the actress confirmed she got engaged in February. USMAGAZINE.COM

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Going Gaga

Lady Gaga is returning to American Idol. The Grammy winner announced the news on Twitter.
"See you on American Idol. May 5th. Little Monsters." TYGUIDE.CON

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Bublé wins big at the Junos

On a weekend when a dense blanket of fog wreaked havoc in St.
John's, N.L., one thing was still perfectly clear last night: Michael Bublé was the shining star of the 39th annual Juno Awards.

The Vancouver crooner nabbed a leading four trophies overall, including album of the year for his blockbuster Crazy Love, single of the year for Haven't Met You Yet and the Juno fan choice award.

"This is the best one," Bublé said from the stage.

"I mean, because we talk about our managers and our companies and all that stuff but we don't talk



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about you enough. The fans, without you, none of this happens.

"I love you from the West Coast to the East, black, white, rich, poor, gay, straight, thanks for the support. I love you."

Two Toronto hip-hop artists split much of the remaining spoils, with 23-year-old rapper Drake picking up trophies for rap recording of the year and new artist of the year, and K'naan winning songwriter of the year, to go with the artist of the year trophy he earned at Saturday's gala.

"Last night, I won one of these things at the ceremony for artist of the year and I'm just as baffled as I was then," K'naan said from the stage.

"Honestly, there is no greater dream than the one that comes true in the way of a song. I feel like you



Michael Bublé accepts his Juno for single of the year for Haven't Met You Yet at the Juno Awards in St. John's, N.L., last night.

couldn't really write my story any better.

"K'naan here, and (I) really appreciate you Canada."

Toronto new-wave outfit Metric also became double winners, picking up group of the year honours to go with the alternative album of the year trophy they won Saturday.

"Wow, this is too much," said guitarist James Shaw as he took the stage, visibly surprised. "This has been an unbelievable year."

But this was Bublé's show. The 34-year-old entered the weekend with six nominations and left with four crystal trophies, winning one Saturday and three last night. That brings his career Juno tally to 10 awards.

The Juno haul is the latest high point in a sparkling year for Bublé.

Last September, his fourth studio album, Crazy Love, spent two weeks at No. 1 on the charts both in the U.S. and Canada.

In January, the crooner announced his engagement to Argentine model Luisana Lopilato, whom he

The winners are...

Winners from last night's Juno Awards broadcast:

- Album of the year: Michael Bublé, Crazy Love
- Juno fan choice Award: Michael Bublé
- New artist of the year:

 Drake
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- Songwriter of the year: K'naan
- Group of the year: Metric Single of the year: Michael
- Bublé, Haven't Met You Yet
- Rap recording of the year:
 Drake, So Far Gone

credited as the inspiration behind Haven't Met You Yet as he picked up the award for single of the year. Also in January, he won his second career Grammy, for best traditional pop vocal album. THE CANADIAN PRESS



jacksoul's Haydain Neale waves after winning best R&B/soul recording at the 2001 Junos in Hamilton, Ont.

Gala night for jacksoul

TRIBUTE There were no multiple winners Saturday as Michael Bublé, K'naan and Johnny Reid claimed Juno Awards, but for jacksoul, one more trophy was plenty.

The Toronto R&B group won their third Juno as 32 of 39 categories were awarded at a non-televised gala. The win comes after the November death of Haydain Neale, who was recovering from a near-fatal traffic accident and battling lung cancer during the album's conception.

The group's keyboardist Ron Lopata — accepting the award alongside Neale's wife, Michaela — urged the crowd to shout out Neale's name in unison.

"Haydain didn't only sing soul music, but he had a beautiful soul," Lopata said, his voice cracking.

"So, we miss you Haydain, we love you Haydain, and I know he would thank everybody here."

Bublé, who entered the weekend with a leading six nominations, won for pop album of the year, but was beat out in the artist of the year category by Somalian-born, Toronto-raised hip-hop artist K'naan.

K'naan.
"I honestly, genuinely never thought anyone would like at all or want to hear these ... songs that are very personal," K'naan caid.

"This is great, I really



K'naan accepts the Juno for artist of the year on Saturday night.

do appreciate this. ... This belongs to a lot of people, from Somalia to Canada.

Thank you very, very, very, very much."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Joel Plaskett nabs first Juno Award

LOCAL Halifax's Joel Plaskett captured his first Juno award in St. John's, N.L., over the weekend, winning the adult alternative album of the year for his hit record Three.

Plaskett was also nominated for songwriter of the year. Enfield rapper Classified was shut out in the three categories in which he was nominated — single of the year, rap recording of the year and video of the year.

The Halifax-based musi-

The Halifax-based musical production DRUM! also came up short in the music DVD of the year category for DRUM! Live.

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iPod Nano with video camera

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The latest iPod Nano is the fifth generation of the tiny music marvel. Available in nine fun colours, like purple, pink, blue and green, the iPod Nano is a great way to tune out the world and make your commute or workout a pleasure. Elliot Chun, spokesperson for Future Shop says the latest version is new and improved. "One of the coolest features about the iPod Nano is its built in video

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Vogue: Glee style

Madonna imitation is a web hit

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Jane Lynch is having quite a week. Her hit series, Glee, returned to TV last week with nearly double the ratings it enjoyed last fall, her remake of Madonna's Vogue video featured during the broadcast has become an Internet sensation and she announced she's engaged to marry her long-time partner, psychol-

ogist Lara Embry.

To top it all off, Outfest, LA.'s gay and lesbian film festival, announced it will honouring Lynch with its Achievement Award, to be presented in July.

"It's kind of otherworldly, to the point where I'm just kind of zen about it," Lynch told Metro at the L.A. Comedy Shorts Festival. "It's all good and I'm enjoying, and I still have to

deal with life."

While Lynch's rendition of Vogue, performed as her Glee character. Sylvester, has become a bona fide web hit, she admits she isn't surprised.

"It sounds so arrogant," she says with a laugh. "I could see on the monitor how good it was. As we were making it, I kept making eye contact with Ryan Murphy, the director, and we kept shaking our heads going, 'Can you believe that we're doing this?'"

Vogue was just a preview for this week's episode, the hit show's tribute to Madon-

na. "It's a relentless episode. You can't believe that an hour has passed. It feels like five minutes," Lynch says. "In my un-objective own opinion, it's the

best I've seen in television.

> Left: Glee actress Jane Lynch.

Weekend box office

- **How to Train Your** Dragon: \$20 million
- Kick-Ass: \$19.75 million
- Date Night: \$17.3 million US
- Death at a Funderal: \$17 million
- Clash of the Titans \$15.8 million
- Last Song: \$5.8 million
- Why Did I Get Married Too: \$4.2 million
- Hot Tub Time Machine: \$3.55 million
- Alice in Wonderland: \$3.54 million
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Lethal Weapon star Danny Glover was taken into police custody Friday during a labour protest at a Maryland food service company's headquarters. Glover, 63, and 11 others were arrested and charged with trespassing, usmagazine.com reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

No more Charlie? Pink is not pregnant

ABUSE CHARGES, MISTRESSES . YEAH, ROCK BOTTOM HAS BEEN HIT Brooke Mueller has reportedly had enough and is moving out of the Beverly Hills home she shares with Charlie Sheen, according to Star maga-

"Brooke had been determined to try and keep their marriage together, if for nothing else than the sake of their children." a source

that all

changed, according to the source, after reports of Sheen cheating came to

source says. light last week.

"She's had

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When the magazine contacted Mueller for comment, she would only say,

"I'm not going to comment, other than to say that I'm doing what I need to do to move forward with my life." METRO

BUT SHE'S POKING FUN Pop star Pink has poked fun at rumours she's expecting her first child with husband Carey Hart by joking

about having a "600 pound baby," reports femalefirst.co.uk

The So What hit-maker, real name Moore, Alecia sparked reports she was pregnant after she was snapped with a slight tummy bump earlier this week

The singer has so far refused to confirm or deny the claims, but took to her

blog Twitter.com Thursday to suggest the renewed baby speculation is iust the latest in a longrunning joke. She wrote, "Off to the

gym. Lord knows when this 600 pound baby comes out that I've been growing for 8 years, i better be strong and physically prepared!!!" reunited Pink

with motocross racer Hart last year after a year of estrangement. They wed in 2006.

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His girlfriend gets a ride

TO THE HOSPITAL Ronnie Wood's girlfriend was alhospital-

legedly hospitalized following a row with the rocker, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Rolling Stones Stones gui-tarist has reportedly been dumped by 30vear-old Ana Araujo after argument, which saw her fly into a jealous rage over a picture he had of his ex-girlfriend Katia Ivanova.

The part-time polo teacher got so agitated during the row with her 62-year-old lover that para-medics were allegedly called to his home n Claygate, Surrey, South East England, the website adds.

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Doug is out the Parisian door

WONDER IF IT'S A REVOLVING DOOR? It looks like all the breakup rumours about Paris Hilton and Doug Reinhardt were true.

"The relationship between Paris and Doug is over. She broke up with him more than two weeks ago," her rep confirms to People maga-

Hilton herself has been mum on the topic, but did

take to Twitter to discount rumours she'd carousing with Kim Karex-boyfriend, dashian's Reggie Bush.

"Aside from being at the same club. Reggie and I didn't even say 'hi' to each other,"

she posted. "I was there with my sister and friends."

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Fancies himself a Pharoah

HE'S ALSO ARRANGED TO HAVE A GOLD HEADDRESS MADE AND WANTS HIS CATS BURIED WITH HIM. OK MAYBE NOT

Despite issues with the IRS that led to him losing several expensive properties over the last year, Nicolas Cage's lavish spending habits have not abated, according to TMZ.

The website claims recently purchased a nine-foottall pyramid-shaped tomb in a New Orleans cemetery - a structure the eccen-

tric actor plans to use as his final resting place.

Sources weren't sure of the price tag or why Cage had decided on the shape.

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Celeb**Tweets**

has a new admirer, CONAN O'BRIEN hits another milestone, and JIM CARREY is full of opinions.

@JessicaSimpson My godson talks in full sentences now. He just said, "I'm going to build a building 4 u jessica." Most romantic thing a man could say to me! @ConanOBrien I'm perform-

ing at the River Cree Casino just before Don Rickles. My comedy life is now complete.

@JimCarrey I love penguins! Can't be sad around 'em! Ferrets are fun 4 a min but then it's like, dude, take a breath! Still on the fence about rabbits! SERVICES

Lindsay Lovelace?

REACH FOR THE (PORN) STARS, **LINDSAY** Lindsay Lohan is excited about getting back to work, telling pals that she's set to star as Linda Lovelace about the former porn star who went on to become an activist, according to Page Six. The only problem is that the folks behind the film haven't signed Lohan up for the project.

"Definitely not true for our project, which is Lovelace," co-director Rob Enstein says "We can't speak for any other project out there unrelated to our team."

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Rumers abound

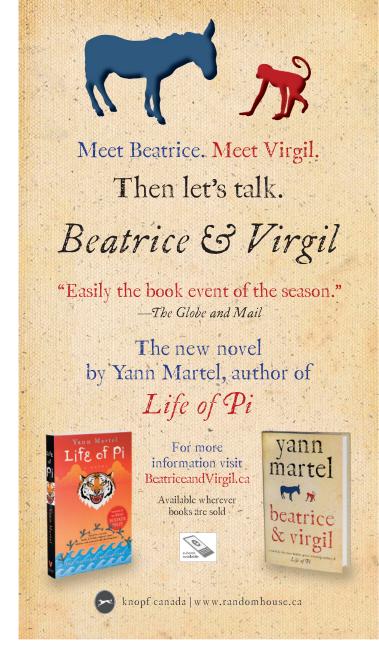
BET SHE'S EVEN HAPPIER ABOUT HER NAME NOW A

representative for Rumer Willis has shot down reports the actress is engaged to wed, according to femalefirst.co.uk.

Demi Moore and Bruce Willis were rumoured to have been celebrating after their 21-year-old daughter accepted a marriage proposal from her longtime boyfriend, model Micah Alberti.

A spokesperson for Rumer tells Gossip Cop.comthe report is "not true," adding, "She is not engaged."

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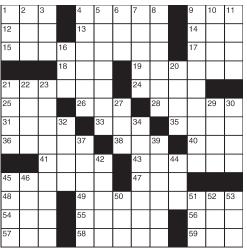




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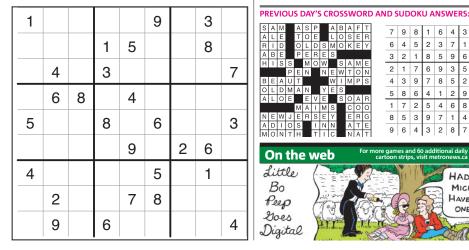
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Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone - one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



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Cornish Meat Pies

INGREDIENTS:

500 g boneless beef round steak, trimmed and cut into 1/4-inch pieces

1 medium potato, peeled and chopped 1 cup chopped peeled

turnip 1/2 cup chopped yellow

onion 2 tbsp minced parsley 1 tbsp Worcestershire

sauce 1 clove garlic, minced 1 tsp dried basil leaves 1/4 tsp salt

1/8 tsp cayenne pepper 2 store-bought or homemade unbaked pie crusts

METHOD:

1 Preheat oven to 375°F (190°C). In medium-size bowl, combine meat, potato, turnip, onion, parsley,

Worcestershire sauce, garlic, basil, salt and cayenne pepper. 2. Place half of meat mix-

ture on half of 1 pie crust, then fold crust over filling and crimp to seal edge. Repeat with remaining crust and remaining meat mixture. Cut slits in top of pasties. Brush with milk. 3. Place on large

ungreased baking sheet. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until golden brown. Cut each into 3 wedges and serve with ketchup or pizza sauce.



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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

Ignore what others say cannot be done. If you believe in your own abilities you can do anything you please. Push yourself hard over the next 24 hours

SEPT 23-OCT 23
You may have strong opinions on certain topics but before you get involved in a social argument you would be wise to check your facts.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Try to measure what you achieve today in terms of what you have learned rather than what you have gained financially or professionally.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22
You will be in one of your impulsive moods as the new week gets under way and there is every chance that you will do something outrageous.

GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21

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Some people may be difficult to deal with as the new week begins but if you show you mean business right from the

start they will come round. **SAGITTARIUS**

NOV 23-DEC 21 If you value your independence

you must make an effort to de-fend your interests. You are not the type to take orders for long.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

Your task for the coming week is to look ahead and start planyou are going to do with your life. ning all the wonderful things

CAPRICORN **DEC 22-JAN 20**

Venus, planet of relationships, remains in your fellow Earth sign of Taurus only until the end of this week, so make the

LEO

If your instincts tell you to avoid some kind of get-richquick scheme you would be wise to listen to them.

AQUARIUS IAN 21-FFR 18

JULY 23-AUG 23

You must not give other people the impression that you can be easily influenced or manipulat-

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

There are changes in the air and a number of things you have grown used to over the years are about to be taken away from you or transformed.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20 A friend's words may be jumbled and hard to make sense of but according to the planets they have an important mes-

This day in history

1770: Marie Antoinette marries Louis XVI by Proxy marriage. 1927: Mae West is sentenced to 10 days in jail for obscenity for her play Sex.

1928: The 125th and final fascicle of the Oxford English Dictionary is published.

1943: Second World War: In Poland, German troops enter the Warsaw ghetto to round up the remaining Jews, beginning the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising.

1971: Launch of Salyut 1, the first space station.

1987: The Simpsons premieres as a short cartoon on The Tracey **Illman Show**

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